

LIEUTENANT DANIEL STARR—CHILDREN OF.

APRIL 13, 1860.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. POTTER, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of the children of Lieutenant Daniel Starr, of the revolutionary navy, report:

That the evidence in the case is conclusive as to the service of the petitioners' father in the revolutionary navy for a period of three years; that he was a lieutenant on board of the United States ship "Trumbull," and was mortally wounded on the 2d of June, 1780, in the engagement between the "Trumbull" and the British letter-of-marque ship "Wasp," and died on the 5th of June, 1780; that he was married to Lucy Douglass January 5, 1764, who remained his widow until her death, in 1832, during which widowhood she never received any pension, nor does it appear that she ever applied for relief during her lifetime, although she might have done so under the resolution of Congress of August 24, 1780.

It would seem that the widow survived her husband more than fifty years, and as she permitted so long a time to elapse without asserting her claim, your committee are of opinion that the children are not now entitled to the relief which was not asked by their mother. They therefore ask leave to report the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

